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Re: Application of Hisanori NAKAJIMA, Ian CLARKE, Masahiro HIROSE  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVIEWING PRINT DATA AND  
RECORDING MEDIA THEREOF  
Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION  
Our Ref: Q53164

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of pending prior Application No. 09/240,695 (Confirmation No. 7689) filed on February 02, 1999 of Hisanori NAKAJIMA, Ian CLARKE, Masahiro HIROSE entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVIEWING PRINT DATA AND RECORDING MEDIA THEREOF.

This application is being filed under 37 CFR § 1.53(d). The prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. It is understood that secrecy under 35 USC § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file jacket, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file jacket, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file jacket.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2176

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.

After entry of the Preliminary Amendment, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>17</u>	-	20	=	_____	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>4</u>	-	3	=	1	x	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
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**TOTAL FILING FEE** **\$834.00**

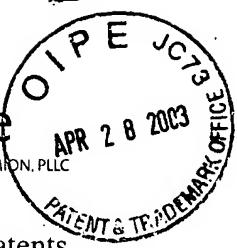
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A check for the statutory fee of \$834.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

A Petition and payment for an extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith in Application No. 09/240,695. The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.133, Applicant hereby requests a personal interview with the Examiner concerning the CPA filed concurrently with this request.

M.P.E.P. 713.02 provides that “[a] request for an interview prior to the first Office action is ordinarily granted in continuing or substitute applications.” It is hereby requested that upon receipt of this request, the Examiner please telephone the undersigned attorney so that such an interview may be arranged.

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